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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 29, 2005  
OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the June 29, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the June 29, 2005 Office Action was due July 29, 2005. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time. The required fee is \$60.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. With the one-month extension, a response to the June 29, 2005 Office Action is now due August 29, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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